(d) and (e) The draft National Road Transport Policy also envisages employment generation including the possibilities of formation of co-operative societies of unemployed youths by the State Governments and these societies could be mobilized to take up the assignments for maintenance, tree plantation, protection of assets etc.

Inspector Raj in SSI

†2024. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that in the era of Inspector Raj, the condition of the Small Scale Industries in the country is deteriorating;

(b) if so, the measures being taken by Government to discontinue the Inspector Raj;

(c) whether the State Government and the Small Scale Industry Organisations have also been consulted;

(d) whether Government are contemplating to frame a comprehensive scheme for providing incentives to Small Scale Industries; and

(e) if so, whether there is any time limit for the same?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) to (c) Recognising the need to reduce the rigours of inspection of small scale industries (SSI) under various enactments, the Government, after consulting the State Governments and various stakeholders including SSI associations, has proposed a number of provisions in the Small and Medium Enterprises Development (SMED) Bill, 2005 to streamline and simplify inspections under a number of laws and to promote self-regulation and self-certification, by the small and medium enterprises. This Bill was introduced in the Lok Sabha on 12-05-2005.

(d) and (e) In keeping with declaration in the National Common Minimum Programme, a promotional policy package for micro (tiny) and small enterprises is under consideration of the Government.

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